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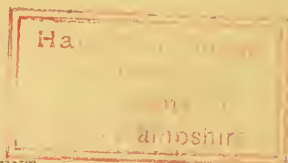
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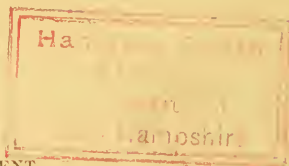
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TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen.

CHARLES H. LAYN,
ISAIAH D. EDGERLEY,
CHARLES H. TUTTLE.

Town Clerk.

DANIEL E. PLUMER.

Treasurer.

SAMUEL W. LANE.

Collector of Taxes.

DANIEL E. PLUMER.

Auditors.

FRED B. YORK,
J. TRUE BARTLETT.

Supervisors.

HORACE F. CAVERNO,
JOHN CONNOR,
C. B. EDGERLEY.

Selectmen's Account.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF THE SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1887.

Valuation of all the taxable property of the town of Lee April 1, 1886.....	\$3274 46
Whole amount of taxes assessed.....	6168.86
Appropriated as follows :—	
State tax.....	\$ 888.00
County tax.....	612.02
School tax.....	777.00
New school-house tax.....	2200.00
Old school-house tax.....	1290.00
Non-resident highway tax.....	32.11
Pinkham Post, No. 80, of Epping.	40.00
Raised in addition, less 5 per cent.	248.73
Dog tax.....	81.00
	<hr/> \$6168.86

WHOLE AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY.

School tax.....	\$777.00
Literary fund.....	86.62
Part railroad tax.....	54.38
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	\$918.00
Highway tax.....	\$600.00

BRIDGES, WADLEY'S FALLS.

Berlin Iron Bridge Co.	\$717.44
Daniel Furber.....	82.56
Guy Glidden.....	3.00

Charles H. Tuttle.....	\$14.00
I. D. Edgerly.....	16.65
Mortimer D. Blodgett.....	12.00
D. & C. P. Chesley.....	722.00
Edwin C. Bennett.....	6.75
Christopher H. Tuttle.....	7.50
Jefferson Sawyer.....	11.00
C. B. Edgerly.....	13.50
G. H. Briggs.....	10.15
Patrick Connor.....	10.50
John Cook.....	5.25
Joseph Cook.....	5.25
Howard M. Glidden.....	26.96
B. C. Davis.....	10.50
C. B. Edgerly.....	7.25
W. B. Tuttle.....	3.75
Walter J. Thurston.....	4.00
Charles E. N. Stackpole.....	5.88
I. D. Edgerly.....	6.76
J. S. Jenkins.....	25.34
Isaac G. Sherburn.....	5.75
Demeritt & Burnham.....	15.55
Daniel Furber.....	8.15
Christopher H. Tuttle.....	130.00
Charles H. Tuttle.....	38.12
Daniel Furber.....	6.75
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	\$1962.31

HIGHWAYS.

Joseph A. Knight.....	\$ 4.50
I. G. Sherburn.....	1.50
John C. Harvey.....	5.70
J. S. Jenkins.....	1.80
J. C. Harvey.....	2.10
Joseph E. Jenkins.....	1.00
Charles E. N. Stackpole.....	2.70
B. F. Lang.....	3.90
J. C. Emerson.....	1.05
A. E. Langmaid.....	19.30
Walter D. Smith.....	2.70
Evard A. Bickford.....	2.25
John S. Jenkins.....	15.65
J. E. Jenkins.....	3.90

Patrick Connor.....	\$8.62
Irvin I. Edgerley.....	7.50
Hosea B. Snell.....	3.50
Jefferson Sawyer.....	4.80
George E. Durgin.....	1.00
Daniel Furber.....	1.91
Mortimer D. Blodgett.....	4.16
C. E. Thompson.....	3.30
Mary James.....	1.20
Joseph A. Knight.....	3.90
Daniel L. Burleigh.....	.90
John C. Bartlett.....	4.50
Daniel W. Burleigh.....	.90
H. F. Caverno.....	10.95
Eliza Wright.....	2.15
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Outstanding order of E. F. Lane,.....	\$127.38
	4.52

PAUPERS.

Paid W. W. Stackpole for goods furnished John Simpson.....	\$23.80
Daniel Plumer for supplies for John Simpson.....	54.85
Greenleaf C. Kenniston for board of Thomas Ferguson.....	36.00
A. E. Langmaid for board of J. G. Langmaid.....	23.00
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	\$137.65

ABATEMENTS.

1884 Orin Dow poll tax.....	\$1.08
A. B. Plumer poll tax.....	1.08
Charles Watson poll tax.....	1.08
1885 Simeon C. Hardey poll tax.....	1.10
Leroy W. Woodman poll tax.....	1.10
Levi T. Wilson poll tax.....	1.10
George Demeritt poll tax.....	1.10
Charles F. Davis poll tax.....	1.10
James M. Emerson poll tax.....	1.10
Charles Meglathlin ".....	1.10
1886 Jerome B. Tuttle too old.....	1.85

1886	Levi T. Wilson too old.....	\$1.85
	Peter Lama over-taxed.....	.52
	Aaron Hanson tax on dog.....	1.00
	Joseph A. James' heirs, tax on dog.....	1.00
	H. A. Gile tax on dog.....	1.00
	Laura A. Ricker over-tax.....	.55
	Daniel B. Piper poll tax.....	1.10
	Gilman Langmaid poll tax.....	1.10
	John O. Dame special tax.....	.92
	Charles L. Park special school-house tax..	1.29
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		\$23.12

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid	School Board.....	\$918.00
	George E. Smith.....	10.00
	B. F. Lang.....	5.00
	Amos E. Piper.....	15.00
	Hosea B. Snell.....	20.10
	L. H. Snell.....	11.50
	Fred P. Comings.....	25.00
	Marston & Eastman.....	5.00
	Samuel E. Demeritt treasurer building committee.....	800.00
	David S. Jenkins.....	2.00
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		\$1,811.60
Paid	school tax remittance.....	\$1,142.88

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid	E. B. Lane.....	\$ 6.75
	F. H. Pinkham.....	15.00
	“ “.....	1.00
	Albert Prince.....	50.00
	N. F. Gerrish.....	2.00
	A. G. Comings.....	13.56
	Charles H. Tuttle.....	2.00
	F. H. Pinkham.....	1.80
	George W. Plumer.....	1.25
	George E. Durgin.....	50.00
	G. H. H. Silsby & Son.....	1.25
	E. B. Lane.....	1.58
	J. F. Jones.....	.75

Paid C. H. Layn.....	\$6.00
Horace Scales for Pinkham Post, G. A. R., No. 80, of Epping.....	40.00
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	\$192.94

GENERAL EXPENSES.

A. L. Comings.....	\$4.00
Bert P. Thompson.....	9.00
Charles G. Dame.....	9.00
Hosea B. Snell.....	10.35
Horace Scales.....	8.00
Charles H. Tuttle.....	80.79
Samuel W. Lane.....	25.00
Louis L. Demeritt.....	4.50
Isaiah D. Edgerley.....	96.00
Charles H. Layn.....	96.00
Charles H. Tuttle.....	8.00
Daniel E. Plumer.....	40.00
“ “	5.17
“ “	2.55
“ “	20.00
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	\$418.36

DAMAGE DONE BY DOGS.

Jefferson Sawyer, sheep killed.....	\$6.00
Avis J. Otis, “	5.00
Charles E. Thompson, “	9.00
A. Jones, “	15.00
Laura E. Ricker, sheep injured.....	10.00
Mary A. Hoitt.....	9.00
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	\$54.00

Gave orders on treasurer for the following damage by dogs in 1886, subject to 34 1-2 per cent discount:

E. J. Lane.....	\$10.00
James C. Emerson.....	9.00
Greenleaf D. Durgin.....	25.00
J. B. Tuttle	24.00
Robert Dalton.....	11.00
J. S. Jenkins.....	8.00
M. D. Blodgett.....	10.00

Josiah Durgin.....	30.00
B. F. Lang.....	10.00
Wier Davis.....	8.00
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	\$145.00
Discount.....	50.00
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	\$95.00

RECAPITULATION.

Bridges.....	\$1962.31
Highways.....	127.38
Paupers.....	137.65
Abatements.....	23.12
Schools and school-houses.....	1811.60
Miscellaneous.....	192.94
General expenses.....	418.36
Damage by dogs.....	54.00
Special school-house tax.....	300.00
Outstanding order of E. F. Lane.....	4.52
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	\$5031.88
School-house tax remittance.....	1142.88
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	\$6174.76

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Received of Treasurer of 1885.....	\$626.31
Received of State of New Hampshire, railroad tax	384.55
Received of State of New Hampshire, Savings Bank tax.....	1066.85
Received of State of New Hampshire, literary fund.....	87.68
Received of J. C. Burley, hired.....	800.00
George E. Durgin, hired.....	500.00
County of Strafford.....	114.00
Collector Plumer's list of 1884.....	3.24
“ “ 1885.....	1037.45
D. E. Plumer for use of hall.....	3.00
Collector Plumer's list of 1886.....	5483.29
Received interest.....	11.02
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	\$10,117.39

EXPENDITURES.

Payment of orders drawn by selectmen.....	\$6,174.76
State Tax.....	888.00
County Tax.....	612.02
George E. Durgin note and interest.....	507.16
J. C. Burley note and interest.....	816.00
Cash on hand to balance.....	1,119.45
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	\$10,117.39

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.

Israel Demeritt, note and interest,	\$272.83
Daniel E. Plumer, collector's list 1885,	62.55
“ “ “ “ 1886,	689.36
Cash in Treasury March 1, 1887,	1,119. 45
	<hr/> \$2,144.19

LIABILITIES.

Orders drawn for damage done by dogs, liable to a discount of 34 1-2 per cent. \$145. less \$50. discount.....	\$95.00
Due school district Town of Lee.....	1,400.00
Due school-house tax remittance.....	147.12
	<hr/> \$1,642.12
Amount of surplus.....	\$502.07
Due from General Government....	\$739.00

Settled the foregoing account as above stated,

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES H. LAYN,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
ISAIAH D. EDGERLEY,	
CHARLES H. TUTTLE,	

of Lee.

March 1, 1887.

We the undersigned, auditors of the Town of Lee, have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast with corresponding vouchers.

FRED B. YORK,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
J. TRUE BARTLETT,	

SCHOOL REPORT.

School matters during the past year have been in a state of chaos. New laws have been put in force, and what is known as the town system of schools adopted, instead of the old district system. The old district system was faulty and it has been done away with, and it is now our duty to find the faults in this system, and having found them, to do our utmost to correct them, and not condemn the whole system, because in some particular case, it works an injustice whereas the old system did injustice in hundreds of cases. The new school-houses which we were led to expect for use this year, have not yet been completed, although one is now being constructed, and we have no doubt will be ready for use during the next term.

We have met with good success generally in our efforts to secure good teachers for the schools. We believe it to be for the interest of the school, to keep the teacher that is doing good work, and we were therefore sorry to lose two teachers after the first term of school, and after the second term to change all but one teacher. This makes a confusion in the school and hinders rapid progress, but was unavoidable. What business venture could succeed if a new man was put at the head of it every few months? We wish to run our schools on business principles, and think that where the teacher is known, he should be engaged for the year, to prevent this frequent changing of teachers.

There has been no serious trouble in any of our schools during the year. The winter term at the Lane school was terminated by the teacher two weeks before the time. Trouble of this kind seldom occurs in a school, if parents do not encourage their children in bringing home tales about the teacher, and give them plainly to understand that they are to obey the rules of the school.

We are sorry to see so many absent and tardy marks on some of the registers. It seems to be a disadvantage to the scholar to live too near the school. Indeed, the record of attendance is much better for those living a mile or more from the school-house, than it is for those living nearer than that. We were told by one teacher that two of her scholars, Ada Ellison and Henry Cofran, living a long distance from the school-house, were not only always in attendance, but made a more marked progress than any other scholar in that

school. That which is so easily gained is not valued as it ought to be.

Some effort has been made in one of the schools to class it and fix a course of study, and we hope to see the work go on, not only in that school but in the others.

Some scholars have been placed at a disadvantage, by being sent to school with books different from those belonging in town. It is a great disadvantage to the scholar and to the school, for the teacher to be obliged to hear so many unnecessary classes. Some of the books that are sent to school with the children, our grandfathers studied, and the books have long since passed out of date. The following is a list of the text-books legally belonging in town: Appleton's readers, Watson's spellers, White's arithmetics, Harper's geography, Wells' Grammar, Meservey's book-keeping, and Hutchinson's physiology.

Number of children between 5 and 15, as reported by selectmen, 119; attending school 135 in the district, and not attending any school 4.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Lane school.—First term: Fannie Amazeen, Helen Buzzell, Maurice Buzzell, Bernice E. Caverno, Albert D. Caverno, Carrie L. Comings, Carrie G. Hill, M. Belle James, Alta M. Jones, Willie S. Lane, Frances M. Lane, Annie J. Stimpson, Hannah S. Stimpson, Ella A. Snell, Edna B. Snell, Lizzie E. G. Snell. Total 16.

Second term: Fannie Amazeen, Helen Buzzell, Maurice T. Buzzell, Ben D. Comings, Mary E. Comings, Carrie L. Comings, Carrie G. Hill, Ella G. Langmaid, Willie S. Lane, Ada B. Pinkham, Frank J. Pinkham, Ella A. Snell, Edna B. Snell, Lizzie E. G. Snell, Seth W. Sherburn. Total 15.

Third term: Frank C. Langmaid. Total 1.

Hill school.—First term: Everett M. Dalton, Annie M. Plummer, Lulu B. Plummer, Idabel Thompson, Edwin A. Wiggin, Nellie F. Wiggin. Total 6.

Second term: Nellie F. Wiggin. Total 1.

Third term: Henry S. Cofran, Ada F. Ellison, Annie M. Plummer, Lulu B. Plummer, Arthur J. Thompson, Eddie A. Wiggin, Nellie F. Wiggin. Total 7. Year—Nellie F. Wiggin.

Hook school.—First term: Guy W. Durell. Total 1.

Second term: Mary A. York. Total 1.

Wadley's school.—First term: Bernice Davis, Georgia Davis, Jessie Davis, Harry Keniston. Total 4.

Second term: Maud Hanson, Herbert Keniston, Harry Keniston. Total 3.

Third term: Charlie Andrews, Herbert Keniston, Burley Keniston, Harry Keniston, Hugh Tuttle. Total 5. Year—Harry Keniston.

South Lee school.—First term: Agnes Heanne, Bertha Lang, Bernice Lang, Flora Kenerson, Lena Harvey, Perry Harvey, Bert. Harvey, Willie Tuttle. Total 8.

Second term: Agnes Heanne, Bertha Lang, Bernice Lang, Flora Kenerson, Lena Harvey, Lizzie Gillin, Maria Gillin, Goldie Harvey, Willie Tuttle, Perry Harvey, Bert. Harvey. Total 11.

Third term: Agnes Heanne, Mabel^W Harvey, Flora Kenerson, Goldie Harvey, Bernice Lang, Fred Allen, George Smith, George Lang, Harvey Martin. Total 9. Year—Agnes Heanne, Bernice Lang, Flora Kenerson.

Deserving honorable mention.—Alta M. Jones, Frances M. Lane, Bernice E. Caverno, Albert D. Caverno, Annie J. Stimpson, Hannah S. Stimpson.

FRED P. COMINGS,	} <i>School Board.</i>
HOSEA B. SNELL,	

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